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## Banks.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$2,000,000 Dollars.

#### COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq. Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. R. BELLIOS, Esq. ABRAHAM LIND, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq. H. HOPKINS, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK.

#### CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

#### MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWEY CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

#### HONGKONG.

#### INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 12 " 5 per cent. "

#### LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

#### RATES of Interest allowed on Deposits.

At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " " 4 " "

" 12 " " 5 " "

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, July 1, 1878.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £200,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

#### Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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#### NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I. and II. A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 404. By ERNEST JOHN ERZL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS and a HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LAM, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

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### RECENTLY ARRIVED.

#### FOR SALE.

TEYSSONNEAU'S FINE FRENCH STRAWBERRIES.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS.

French JAMS and JELLIES.

MACASSAR RED FISH.

Very Fine "O. K." BOURBON WHISKY.

FINEST CHERBOURG BUTTER, in BOTTLES of ONE POUND.

BUSCK & Co.'s SELECTED DANISH BUTTER, Season 1878, in Tins of 1 lb., 2 lbs., and 4 lbs.

ENGLISH and AMERICAN HOUSEHOLD STORES.

EXTRA FINE CHICAGO BACON and HAMS.

MACQUEL and SALMON BELLIES, in Kits.

GOOD FISH, &c., &c.

HOTH'S BEST RUSSIAN ROPE, and FINE LINES, Assorted Sizes.

FROST BROS' BEST ENGLISH WHITE LINES.

HENRY'S BEST GOVERNMENT NAVY CANVAS, Assorted Numbers.

INDIA RUBBER SHEET PACKING and INSERTION, all Sizes.

TUCK'S PATENT PACKING.

INDIA RUBBER SUCTION and DELIVERY ROSE.

CANVAS ROSE and LEATHER BELTING.

AMERICAN ASH BOAT-OARS.

ADMIRALTY TESTED CHAIN CABLES, and RIGGING CHAIN.

ANCHORS, from 25 lbs. up to 18 cwt. Each.

PERFORATED ZINC SHEETS.

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LEAD PIPE, and SHEET LEAD.

FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES, from 400 lbs. to 2,500 lbs.

MASSIE'S PATENT LOGS.

FLOUR SIEVES.

INDIA RUBBER KNEE and HIP BOOTS, &c., &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

## FOR SALE.

THE POWERFUL SCREW STEAMER "SEA GULL,"

48 tons register, 40 H.P. nominal; Steam 8 knots. She was originally fitted as a Tug and Water Boat, and can be again adapted for the latter purpose at little expense. She has proved herself to be an excellent Sea Boat, and is well found, her Engine and Boiler being in first-class order.

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134 tons register, built at Singapore in 1864, of Singapore Hardwood and Teak, with Iron Fastenings. She was thoroughly repaired and refitted in April last, and is now in first-class order.

For further Particulars, apply to

MORRIS and RAY, Ship Brokers,

where the Inventories may be seen.

Hongkong, October 15, 1878.

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ONE STEAM LAUNCH,

70 feet Long, 12 feet Beam, 6 feet Depth of Hold, 5 feet Draft of Water.

Compound High Pressure Engines, Speed 8 miles per Hour.

ONE STEAM LAUNCH, 65 feet Long, 11 feet Beam, 8 feet Depth of Hold, 5 feet Draft of Water.

High Pressure Double Cylinder Engines, Speed 8 miles per Hour.

ONE STEAM LAUNCH, 60 feet Long, 9 feet 8 inches Beam, 5 feet 5 inches Depth of Hold, 4 feet 8 inches Draft of Water.

High Pressure Single Cylinder Engine, Speed 8 miles per Hour.

For further Particulars, apply at

WEST POINT FOUNDRY,

late P. & O. FACTORY.

Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

## FOR SALE.

AN OPEN SAILING BOAT, with

Masts and Sails complete, and also can be used for Pulling Six Oars.

Built Expressly for REGATTA.

For Particulars, apply to

T. ANTHONY & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1878.

## WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## For Sale.

### EX LATE ARRIVALS.

LETTS'S DIARIES for 1879. BASS'S DRAUGHT ALPH, in Splendid Condition. PARAGRA'S HAVANA CIGARS. LADIES' GARDENING TOOLS. ELECTRO-PLATED READING LAMPS. MARK TWAIN'S SOAP BOOK. Novelties in Meerschaum PIPES & CIGAR TUBES. POCKET KNIVES. THE NEW CHAMPAGNE TAP. SWIMMING BELTS and AIR CUSHIONS. CHABLIS, in Pints. TWEEDS, in Suit or Trouser Lengths. FRIEZES, for Usters. WINTER SOCKS & UNDERSHIRTS, Newest Patterns. CHAMBERS'S ENCYCLOPEDIA, Latest Edition. KELLOR'S DUNDEE MARMALADE. KEITE JOHNSON'S LATEST ATLAS. DICTIONARIES & WORKS of REFERENCE. TODDY KETTLES. SPECIAL BLEND SCOTCH WHISKY. SADDLERY. SCARVES and TIES, Newest Patterns. GRAMMARS and SCHOOL BOOKS. NEW SEASON'S APPLES. THE NEWEST NOVELS. RED HEART RUM. SHOOTING BOOTS. SPORTING GEAR, of all Descriptions.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, October 19, 1878.

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG RACES, 1879.

THIS MEETING will take place on THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 20th, 21st and 22nd February, 1879.

GENTLEMEN having suggestions to offer or Presentations to make are invited to communicate with the CLERK of the COURSE on or before the 18th Instant.

By Order, M. W. SAUNDERS, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, October 11, 1878.

### HONGKONG RACES, 1879.

THE HONGKONG DERBY, a SWEEPSTAKES of \$20 Each, half forfeit if Declared on or before the Date of Closing Entries, with \$100 added for 1st Pony and \$50 for 2nd. For all China Ponies born 1st January, 1879. First Pony 70 per cent, Second Pony 20 per cent, and Third Pony 10 per cent. Weight 10st. 7lb. One-mile-and-a-half. NOMINATIONS CLOSE on SATURDAY, 21st December, 1878. Addressed to the CLERK of the COURSE, at the Hongkong Club.

By Order, M. W. SAUNDERS, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, October 11, 1878.

### CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

### HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at

Cheap Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co., Proprietors.

Hongkong, August 28, 1878.

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THE Spacious Premises being built especially for the production of Portraiture and fitted up so as to command the best light throughout all the Hours of the Day is Open from 8 o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m. under the personal Management of D. E. Griffith, who has introduced all the latest novelties.

ENLARGEMENTS AND REDUCTIONS.

In a Superior Style at Moderate Charges.

Studio, QUEEN'S ROAD, Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, September 19, 1878.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

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Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

## Intimations.

SEALED TENDERS will be Received by the Undersigned on or before SATURDAY, the 2nd proximo, at 11 A.M. for the REPAIRS and RETILING OF ROOF of the ROPE STORE of this Yard, according to Specification, which can be seen on Application at the Naval Storekeeper's Office.

J. BRENNER, Naval Storekeeper.

ROYAL NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, October 26, 1878.



## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF  
Mr DAVID ROBERT FENTON  
CRAWFORD in our Shanghai Firm,  
CEASED on 31st March last.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Shanghai, October 10, 1878. no14

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

FROM This Date, and during the  
Absence of the Undersigned, Mr  
REGINALD DIGBY STARKEY is author-  
ized to Act as Agent for the Company in  
Hongkong.

J. KENNARD DAVIS,  
Agent.

Hongkong, October 15, 1878. no15

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr  
ARTHUR CHART in our Firm  
CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.  
Hongkong, June 13, 1878. del3

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having This Day Pur-  
CHASED the STOCK-IN-TRADE, Book  
Debts, and Goodwill of the CHINA DIS-  
PENSARY hitherto Carried on by Mr W.  
BALL, will conduct and carry on the said  
Business (in connection with the VICTORIA  
DISPENSARY) on his own Account from  
This Date.

WM. CRUICKSHANK.

Hongkong, August 31, 1878.

## NOTICE.

MR NG MEI KUM otherwise called  
NG HOK MUN is admitted a  
Partner in our Firm from the 2nd  
February, 1878.

TACK-MEE, HOP KEE HONG,  
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.  
Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of  
the late Mr NG SIN FOO otherwise  
called NG HOK SEE in our Firm CEASED  
from the 2nd February, 1878.

TACK-MEE, HOP KEE HONG,  
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.  
Hongkong, September 30, 1878. del30

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the  
Undersigned in the Chinese Mail,  
華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po),  
CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but  
Debts prior to that Date will be received  
and paid by him.

OHON AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-  
signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail  
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged  
the services of Mr LEONG YOK CHUN,  
as Translator and General Manager of the  
newspaper, which under its new régime  
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-  
cellent medium for advertising, especially  
as the Manager is able to devote his whole  
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM.

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## Notices to Consignees.

GERMAN STEAMSHIP VULCAN,  
WINZEN, Master, FROM HAMBURG,  
PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above  
Steamer are hereby informed that  
their Goods are being landed and stored at  
their risk in the Godowns of the Under-  
signed, from whence delivery may be ob-  
tained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of  
their Goods from the Boats alongside the  
Wharf are at liberty to do so.  
Goods remaining in store after the 2nd  
November next will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
written notice to the contrary be given  
before Noon To-day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, October 23, 1878. no2

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## S. S. A. P. A.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.  
Gaulois from London, in connec-  
tion with the above Steamer, are hereby  
informed that their Goods are being  
landed and stored at their risk at the Com-  
pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be  
obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on  
unless intimation is received from the Con-  
signees, before To-day, the 14th Inst., at  
5 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
the Undersigned.  
Goods remaining unclaimed after Satur-  
day, the 15th Instant, at Noon, will be  
subject to rent and landing charges.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DE POUY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, October 14, 1878.

## Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL,  
CITY HALL,  
HONGKONG.

To-morrow Evening,  
(THURSDAY), October 31st, 1878.

THE ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA  
AND  
OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY

Will Repeat (by General Desire)  
CHAS. LECOCQ'S COMIC OPERA

"GIROFLE-GIROFLA,"  
In Three Acts.

MISS ELOIA MAY  
as  
GIROFLE-GIROFLA.

## CAST OF CHARACTERS:

GIROFLE { Twin } Miss ELOIA MAY.  
GIROFLA { Sisters }  
Miraquin, { } Miss A. DRAEGER.  
Don Bolero d'Alca- { }  
razas, { } Mr. H. PHILLIPS.  
Mourzouk, { } Mr. H. YERKON.  
Pedro, { } Mr. J. ROLLINGS.  
Aurore, { } Miss B. DRAEGER.  
Paquita, { } Miss CLARA STANLEY.

Pirates, Moore, &c.

MUSICAL DIRECTOR,.....Mr F. PANIZZA.

The Operas are produced under the Sole  
direction of  
MR H. YERKON.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at  
Messrs KRAUS & Co.'s, where a Plan of the  
Theatre may be seen.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:  
Dress Circle or Orchestra Two Dollars.  
Stalls..... One Dollar.  
Pit..... One Dollar.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen  
cannot be admitted.  
Hongkong, October 30, 1878. no1

## HONGKONG TEMPERANCE HALL.

THE OPENING ENTERTAINMENT for the  
Winter will be given on MONDAY,  
4th November, at 8.30 p.m., when "Pro-  
fessor" LLOLO will ask the Audience to spend  
"AN EVENING IN FAIRYLAND."  
Programmes will be issued.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:  
50 Cents and 25 Cents.  
Hongkong, October 28, 1878. no5

## Intimations.

## CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC!

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE.

WHEREAS it having become known to the  
Proprietors of Dr BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE  
that a worthless imitation, bearing a similar  
name, is exported to India, China, &c., and  
endeavouring to be foisted on purchasers as equal  
in efficacy to Dr BRIGHT'S Phosphodyne, they feel  
it due to the public to specially caution them  
against this compound and request their most  
careful attention to the following distinctive  
characteristics of Dr BRIGHT'S (the only genuine)  
Phosphodyne.

1st.—That Dr BRIGHT'S Phosphodyne is sold  
only in cases.

2nd.—The words "Dr BRIGHT'S Phospho-  
dyne" are clearly blown in each bottle.

3rd.—The Registered Trade Mark and  
Signature of Patentes are printed on  
the label of every case.

4th.—Directions for use in all the following  
languages are enclosed in each case—  
English, French, German, Italian, Dutch,  
Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Danish,  
Turkish, Persian, Hindostani, Madrasse,  
Bengalee, Chinese, and Japanese.

Without which none can POSSIBLY  
be Genuine.

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE

Is the Only Reliable Remedy for  
NERVOUS AND LIVER COMPLAINTS  
AND ALL  
FUNCTIONAL DERANGEMENTS.

\* DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is  
patronised by the Aristocracy and the Elite,  
extensively used in the Army and Navy, and  
strongly recommended by the leading Medical  
Practitioners.

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE

Is sold by all Chemists and Patent Medicine  
Vendors throughout the Globe.

In India, China, &c., DR. BRIGHT'S PHOS-  
PHODYNE is generally sold at an advance  
on the English Price.

The High Estimation in which Phosphodyne  
is held is unquestionably due to its adminis-  
tration, in this form. Therefore

## ASK FOR

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE

And do not be persuaded to take any  
Useless and Possibly Dangerous  
Imitation.

## CAUTION TO MEDICINE VENDORS.

The Trade Mark, Label, &c., of DR.  
BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE are duly entered  
at Stationers' Hall, London, and are also re-  
gistered in the Chief Cities of the World.

Chemists and Druggists are hereby warned  
that legal proceedings will be immediately in-  
stituted by the "Authorized Agents," against any  
person or persons selling fraudulent imitations  
of DR. BRIGHT'S (the only genuine) PHOS-  
PHODYNE, from this date, 1st October, 1878.

## To-day's Advertisements.

FRIDAY will be Received up to 5 p.m.,  
at the Office of the Undersigned, by the  
Captain on Board, for DOCKING and  
Examining the British Bark "MARINA,"  
also for REMETALLING her, if required.  
For Particulars, apply to the Captain  
on Board.

Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,  
Agents,  
British Bark "Marina."  
Hongkong, October 30, 1878. no3

## To-day's Advertisements.

THE EASTERN EXTENSION  
AUSTRALASIA AND CHINA TELE-  
GRAPH COMPANY LIMITED.

IN consequence of the present low Rates  
of Exchange, the CHARGES on all  
TELEGRAMS sent through this Office will  
be INCREASED 10 PER CENT. on and after  
the 1st NOVEMBER next.

J. ENSTON SQUIER,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 30, 1878. no6

## GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will  
sell by Public Auction, in their  
Sales Rooms, Praya, on

FRIDAY,  
the 1st November, 1878, at Noon,—

An Invoice of Toys, Electro-plated  
Spoons and Forks, Engravings, Pictures,  
Glassware, Tooth Brushes, Révolvers,  
12 casks Washing Soda.

Also,

20 boxes Californian Apples, just ar-  
rived, in fine condition, will be sold in  
lots to suit purchasers.

Hongkong, October 24, 1878. no1

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELE-  
GRAPH COMPANY.

HONGKONG OFFICE,  
October 30, 1878.

IN consequence of the present low rates  
of exchange the charges on all tele-  
grams forwarded from this office will be  
increased 10 PER CENT. on and after the 1st  
November next.

By Order, C. F. SCHULTZ,  
Secretary,  
Superintendent, p. t.

## NOTICE.

THE BARON DO CERCAL reiterates  
that he will not hold himself Re-  
sponsible for Debts Contracted by the  
BARONESS DO CERCAL.

Macao, October 29, 1878. no6

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for any  
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew  
of the following Vessels, during their stay  
in Hongkong Harbour:—

IMPERATRICE ELIZABETTA, Austrian ship,  
Capt. Hreglich.—D. Musso & Co.

GIAMIS, British bark, Captain Key.—  
Russell & Co.

BREITHOVEN, German barque, Capt. R.  
Hajo.—Melchers & Co.

LOMB MACAULAY, British barque, Capt.  
R. B. Monkman.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

FONTEYNE, British ship, Capt. Geo. B.  
Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

SPINAWAY, Brit. barque, Capt. Pringle.  
—Simmons & Co.

COMMISSARY, British ship, Captain A.  
Moxson.—Meyer & Co.

## Not Responsible for Debts of Crew:—

HERAT, British ship, Captain Chas.  
Robertson.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Oct. 29, midnight, Yangtze, British str.  
783, Schultze, Shanghai Oct. 26, 11 a.m.,  
General.—Simmons & Co.

Oct. 30, Elizabeth, German barque, 447,  
L. Olsen, Newchwang Oct. 19, Beana.—  
WIEBER & Co.

Oct. 30, Albat, British steamer, 366, F.  
Ashton, Haiphong Oct. 24, and Hoihow 23,  
General.—DOUGLAS LAIRDALE & Co.

Oct. 30, Hermann, German barque, 444,  
H. Schmidt, Newchwang Oct. 18, Beana.—  
WIEBER & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

Oct. 30, Orestes, for Shanghai.  
30, Yotting, for Swatow.

30, Pernambuco, for Saigon.  
30, Yangtze, for Canton.

30, China, for Shanghai.  
30, Vulcan, for Shanghai.

30, Taiwan, for Amoy, &c.

## CLEARED.

Canton, for Bangkok.  
W. H. Gladstone, for Quinhon.

Kim Yung Ty, for Bangkok.  
Douglas, for Coast Ports.

Chanvran Kamry, for Bangkok.

## PASSENGERS.

Per Yangtze, from Shanghai, Messrs  
Hardy and Ypland, and 42 Chinese.

Per Albat, from Haiphong and Hoihow,  
Messrs Herton, Roussel, and 136 Chinese.

Per Vulcan, from Shanghai, Mr Kolpe.  
Per Yotting, for Swatow 67 Chinese.

Per Pernambuco, for Saigon, 419 Chi-  
nese.

Per China, for Shanghai, 20 Chinese.

## To DEPART.

Per Kim Yung Ty, for Bangkok, 10  
Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Yangtze reports:  
Left Shanghai on the 28th Oct. at 11 a.m.,  
had light variable winds to White Dogs,  
thence to port fresh monsoon and cloudy,  
arrived 28th at midnight.

The German barque Elizabeth reports:  
Light monsoon and fine weather through-  
out.

The British steamer Albat reports: Left  
Haiphong 24th, and Hoihow on the 28th,  
having experienced fresh North-easterly  
winds and fine weather throughout. In  
Haiphong: French corvette Bourayne and  
str. Wash. In Hoihow: str. Conqueror,  
left for Haiphong on the 27th, 28th H.M.S.  
Kestrel left for Hongkong via Nouchou,  
parted company at 6 p.m.

CARGOES.

Per Yanitza, sailed 24th October, 1878.  
For London, from Macao and Canton,  
8,074 boxes, Tea, containing 88,279 lbs.  
Congee, 109,459 lbs. Sc. Pepper, and 38,243  
lbs. Sc. Of. Pease, from Canton, 195 bales

Raw Silk, and 20 cases Silk Goods; from  
Shanghai, 1,264 boxes and 1,457 half-chests  
Tea (particulars unknown), 279 bales Raw  
Silk, and 68 bales Waste Silk; from Japan,  
94 bales Raw Silk.—For Continent: from  
Canton, 294 bales Raw Silk; from Shang-  
hai, 180 bales Raw Silk; from Japan, 68  
bales Raw Silk.

Per American barque Albert Russell,  
cleared 18th October, 1878:—For New  
York, 5,895 rolls Matting, 1,322 plouls  
Cassia, 2,500 boxes Fire Crackers, 295  
boxes Palm Leaf Fans, 165 bales Rags, 58  
cases Essential Oil, 20 bales Tea-mats, and  
145 pkgs. Sundries.

Per American barque Lottie Moore,  
cleared 22nd October, 1878:—For New  
York, 1,400 plouls Cassia, 1,350 cases Palm  
Leaf Fans, 1,200 bales Hemp, 2,924 rolls  
Matting, 2,904 boxes Fire Crackers, 467  
plouls Camphor, 34 cases Essential Oil, 13  
pkgs. Vaseline, 10 pkgs. Canes, and 5  
cases Cambooge.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS will close:—

For BANGKOK.—  
Per Madagascar, at 1.30 p.m., on Thurs-  
day, the 31st inst.

For SAIGON.—  
Per Quinte, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the  
31st inst.

For PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,  
SYDNEY, and MELBOURNE.—  
Per Charlton, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,  
the 4th November.

## MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet Yangtze will  
be despatched from Hongkong on  
THURSDAY, the 31st inst., with  
Mails to and through the United  
Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-  
seilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Bata-  
via, Gallo, Australia, New Zea-  
land, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-  
chelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez,  
and Alexandria. This is the best  
opportunity for forwarding Corre-  
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,  
St. Helena, and Ancon.

Letters may be forwarded to INDIA  
by this Packet.

The following will be the hours of closing  
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 30th October.—  
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post  
Office closes except the NIGHT BOX,  
which remains open all night.

Thursday, 31st October.—  
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of  
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and  
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters closes.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late  
Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)  
except those to and through Australia,  
may be posted on payment of a  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,  
until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

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## MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet Oceano  
will be despatched on FRIDAY, the  
1st November, with Mails for Japan,  
San Francisco, and the United States,  
which will be closed as follows:—

11.15 a.m. Registry of Letters closes.

11.30 a.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters  
(except for Non-Union Countries) may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage  
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West India  
(except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa  
Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New  
Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can  
no longer be sent by this route.

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## MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.—

The Australian Contract Packet Brisbane  
will be despatched from Hongkong on  
TUESDAY, the 5th November, with  
Mails for Singapore, Somerset,  
Cooktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen,  
Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tas-  
mania, New Zealand, and Melbourne.

Correspondence cannot be Registered after  
11.15 a.m.

The Mails will be closed at 11.30 a.m.  
Supplementary mail on board with late  
fee of 18 cents till time of departure.

Correspondence for Southern and Western  
Australia can be sent by this route if  
desired, but as a general rule it is  
better to send it via Gallo.

Hongkong, Oct. 23, 1878. no5

## MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—

The British Contract Packet Nizam  
will be despatched with Mails for the  
Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo,  
Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta,  
Gibraltar, Europe, and countries served  
through London on THURSDAY,  
the 7th November.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the  
Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,  
nor for Mauritius.

The following will be the hours of closing  
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 6th November.—  
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m. Post Office closes except the NIGHT  
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 7th November.—  
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale  
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and  
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late  
Letters. Registry ceases.

10.15 a.m. Letters may be posted with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra  
postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

11.30 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)  
except those to the United Kingdom  
via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,  
till

11.50 a.m. when the Mail is finally  
closed.

Hongkong, Oct. 28, 1878. no7

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.



## Police Intelligence.

(Both Magistrates sitting.)

30th October, 1878.

## TO-DAY'S FINES.

Li Aing, coolie, throwing soil into the Harbour. Fined 50 cents.

Ho Cho Lin, owner of licensed boat No. 1736, being anchored within 300 yards of low water mark at 2 a.m. this morning. Fined \$1.

Li Kan Wa, master of the Wing Shun Lung Stationary shop, No. 195 Queen's Road, East. Having untrue balance scales (Sec. 7 of Ord. 22 of 1844). Fined \$1.

Mak Pan Lung, married woman, allowing her house, No. 97 Wanchai Road, to be in a filthy condition. Fined \$2.

## A WARNING TO OFFICERS OF SHIPS.

Cheong Asoo, a lad 16 years of age, engineer's boy on board the S.S. *Brisbane*, was charged on suspicion with having stolen a cash-box containing about \$20 in money and ship's accounts, from the berth of Mr John Scott, the steward of the *Brisbane*. He was further charged with stealing 3 tins of preserves, and a tin of mustard, the property of Captain Riddell, master of the S.S. *Brisbane*.

Defendant admitted having stolen the preserves.

It would appear from the evidence of Mr Scott, the steward, that the defendant had been engineer's boy for about 13 months. Last evening, about 20 minutes past 8 o'clock, the complainant missed a cash box out of his room, containing money in gold, silver and notes to the value of \$20, besides some ship's papers. The box was all right at 8 o'clock, and complainant looked his door, but the windows were open, and it was very easy for any one to enter by the windows. On returning to the cabin at 20 minutes past 8 he found his door all right, but the drawer was broken open and the cash box gone. Suspicion pointed to the defendant owing to his having been seen to leave the ship by Chinese passenger about the time the robbery must have been effected, and P. C. No. 50 (Laughlan Mackay) succeeded in tracing the defendant to a lighter belonging to Messrs Butterfield & Swire, and a box was found there containing two Chinese purses, and £3/4 in gold and silver. The boy said he had got the money by gambling. The complainant could only identify one 10-cent piece which was gold washed on the one side. He said it was possible for the boy to have won such money by gambling, as the passengers gambled.

The case was remanded until Friday at 2 p.m., to enable the police to make further enquiries.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before the FULL COURT.)

Oct. 30, 1878.

Lo Mut v. Hu Mul and another.—This was a petition before the full court made by the plaintiff to compel the defendant as plaintiff's agent to furnish a statement of account. The Attorney General (the Hon. G. Phillips), instructed by Mr Brewster, appeared for the plaintiff; and Messrs Haylar and Ng Ouy, instructed by Messrs Stephens and Holmes, for the defendants. The case had been postponed in order to allow the parties to come to some understanding together, but they had failed to do so.

From the opening remarks of the learned Attorney General it would appear, the parties to the suit had been interested in a shop in this Colony which was opened some time in 1856 or 1857 for the sale of prepared opium known as the Ping Ko opium shop, 25 Jervois Street. The plaintiff, who was the original owner of the shop, had taken one or two persons as partners from time to time. The 1st defendant had been manager of the shop and the second defendant was plaintiff's partner, but as he refused to become a party to the present action he was made a defendant. It appears that the plaintiff was at present residing at Canton and had appointed Mr Ho Ami, the manager of the On Tai Insurance Co., as his agent in this matter. The defendant however had refused to give the plaintiff any explanation of the accounts. The plea set up by the defence was that the action was barred by the statute of limitation, and again a plea of settled account. The second defendant had gone to California, but had been served with a notice of the proceedings about to be taken. The learned Attorney General said that there were some \$30,000 errors in the books, that the statute of limitation did not bar the action, and that no account had been furnished by the defendant; and he quoted from Daniel to prove the legality of the proceedings. There was no bar, he said, to a trust according to English law, an agent who receives money simply as such was always liable to account for same. The irregularities, to say the least of them, were only found out last year, and it could only be ascertained whether or not they were irregularities by the defendants explaining the accounts.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

## SHANGHAI ROWING CLUB REGATTA.

FIRST DAY.

Friday, October 28th, 1878.

Fine weather is essential to the complete success of an out-door entertainment. The autumn regatta had been looked forward to with much interest, but the lowering clouds of this morning put an end to many pleasant hopes. Soon after noon the rain began to fall, and continued without intermission during the remainder of the day. The attendance of the public, and especially of the ladies, was much smaller than it otherwise would have been, but still considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings, which were followed by the performances of a band under the direction of Mr Bernard.

Subjoined are the results of the several contests:

MEN OF WAR'S BOATS RACE.—No entrance fee. First boat \$10; Second \$5. No second prize unless three start. Distance, 1½ miles.

Two boats crews only entered for this race, both from the same vessel, the French boat of war *Comoy*. They were distinguished by a red and a blue flag; and the race was won by the red.

MERCHANTS' PLATE.—Eight Oars. Presented by the Merchants of Shanghai. Challenge Eight-Oar. Scotland's England. Distance, 1 mile. Entry money \$40 per boat.

## ENGLISH.—St. George's Cross.

Bow—J. C. Bols	10	9
2—J. M. Cory	10	10
3—J. F. Cheetham	11	7
4—T. Brown	10	10
5—A. Burrows	12	12
6—W. Innocent	11	8
7—C. W. Holliday	12	8
Stroke—O. M. Wyatt	11	12
Cox—C. Dowdall	9	4

## SCOTCH.—St. Andrew's Cross.

Bow—C. J. Dudgeon	10	4
2—J. W. Shepherd	11	6
3—W. M. Pinrose	10	6
4—J. C. Johnston	12	4
5—R. Mackenzie	14	0
6—Sir W. Johnston	13	4
7—J. Andrew	13	11
Stroke—D. Glass	11	7
Cox—J. Hall	9	4

The Scotch soon obtained a lead of about half a length, but they were quickly overhauled by the English, who at the first bend were slightly ahead. Soon after rounding the corner, the Scotch crew again secured first place; and a fine race ensued, which was won by the English by about six feet. A few slight fouls occurred, but not of sufficient importance to call for the umpire's interference. Time, 8m. 22 sec.

LADIES' PRIZE.—Presented by the Ladies of Shanghai. For Junior Soulers. Entrance Fee, \$5. Distance, 1 mile.

1. C. R. Sellers 9 st. 10 lbs. White, Black Star.  
2. M. Fors 10 " 8 " Blue and White.

Won by Sellers easily.

1. James Hall, 9 st. 4 lbs. Red and White.  
2. Tom Brown 10 " 10 " Light & Dark Blue.

Won by Brown easily.

In the final heat, between Sellers and Brown, Sellers with the inside led throughout, winning by four lengths. Mrs. Hall presented the prize to the winner.

GRIFINS' PLATE.—Shanghai Fours. For all who have not rowed in any previous Shanghai Regatta. Four Punters. Entrance Fee, \$12. Distance, 1 mile.

1.—KIDS.—Blue & White.  
Bow—C. R. Sellers

2.—V. Winkle  
3.—J. W. L. Williamson

Stroke—W. J. Nichol  
Cox—

2.—LADIES.—Red & White.  
Bow—C. J. Dudgeon

2.—W. Buchanan  
3.—M. Fors

Stroke—J. W. Innocent  
Cox—

The Kids, with the inside place, led to the Boat House, when the Ladies put on a spurt and led in turn by half a length, but the Kids eventually landed winners by 2 feet.

CHALLENGE FOUR-OAR RACE.—In Shanghai new fours. Distance, 1½ miles. Entrance Fee, \$20.

COMMITTEE: C. CLUB.  
COMMITTEE: Dark Blue.

Bow—J. C. Bols

2.—F. Hocking  
3.—J. Andrew

Stroke—D. Glass  
Cox—C. Dowdall

CLUB.—Red and White.  
Bow—J. F. Cheetham

2.—Sir Wm. Johnston  
3.—C. W. Holliday

Stroke—O. M. Wyatt  
Cox—J. Hall

The lead was taken by the Committee at the outset, but the Club, with the inside, soon pushed ahead and maintained that position to the finish, winning by about 1½ lengths. Time, 8m. 21.

DOUBLE SCULLING RACE.—Entrance Fee, \$5. Distance, one mile.

Blue and White.  
1. James Hall

R. P. Hunter

Blue and White Hoops.  
2. O. M. Wyatt

J. Andrew

Blue and White took the lead after 10 or 12 strokes and maintained it to the finish, winning by several lengths.

SCOTCH RACE.—Club Eight-Oar Race.—For 8 Oars. Entrance Fee, \$16 per boat. 1 mile. Crews made up on the spot.

This race did not come off, as crews could not get together owing to the lateness of the hour and the darkness.—*Courier*.

## WRECK OF VESSELS SAILING FROM SHANGHAI.

(Hirogo News.)

The *Kushu Maru*, which arrived at Kobe from Kagoshima on Saturday, brought the Captain, his wife, officers and crew (all but three of the latter) of the American ship *Lookout*, wrecked last month on Katsunoshima, about a hundred miles from Kagoshima. The *News* has been furnished by Captain Wiggins with the following account of the disaster:

American ship *Lookout*, of San Francisco, left Shanghai at 10 a.m. September 7th, in tow tugboat *Pohelin*, and at noon came to anchor in the Yangtze river. Got underway at 1 p.m. and beat down the river. At 3 a.m. on the 8th came to anchor below the outer Lightship, in a calm, when the pilot left. Got underway at 9 a.m. and stood out towards the Saddle. Came to anchor at 3 p.m. in a calm (North Saddle Lightship bearing E. by S. distant 9 miles), where we lay till 5 a.m. on September 10th, when we got underway and stood out to sea. At noon were in Lat. 31° 36' N., Long. 124° 04' E., with moderate E.N.W. winds and fine weather. On the 11th the weather continued fine, with Northerly breezes. At 6 p.m. passed close to Kusanoshima, and at midnight had run by log from the Island 81 miles S.E., when we hoisted under lower topsails in Lat. 30° 32' N., Long. 129° 55' E. At this time, the barometer beginning to fall rapidly, took in all sails, after having reefed fore and main courses and spinnaker. At 2 a.m. lying under bare poles, with gale increasing rapidly. By 5 a.m. the gale had increased to a typhoon. At 7 a.m. a perfect tornado. Mainmast went by the board, taking head of lower-mast above the eyes of rigging, and at about the same time the fore-top-gallant mast was carried away. At 7:30 the misadventure must have been the result of the ship striking twice or thrice on a reef and went overboard. Sounded pumps and found the water was making no water. At 8 a.m. the lower-mast went by the board, and at 8:30 the ship struck twice or thrice on a reef and went overboard. Sounded pumps and found the water was making no water. At 8 a.m. the lower-mast went by the board, and at 8:30 the ship struck twice or thrice on a reef and went overboard. Sounded pumps and found the water was making no water.

up, we launched a boat, to try to get a line ashore; it was manned by three volunteers (viz., Hugh Thompson, a native of Scotland; Leana Hansen, a native of Norway; and William Klement, a native of Russia), but as soon as the boat left the ship's side it was swept astern by the current into the full force of the surf, where it immediately capsized and the three men were drowned. We then cut away the foremast, hoping to be able to reach the shore from that, but it was not enough. As the gale now began to abate and the tide was falling we concluded to remain on the wreck and wait for a better chance to get ashore; when a number of natives appeared on the beach, and with their assistance we got a line ashore, by means of which we all reached land in safety. The natives proved to be Japanese, and were very friendly. They had brought boiled rice with them, supposing that we might be suffering with hunger. We were particularly fortunate in having a man (our Steward) who could understand and talk the language. They took us to some fishing hut not far off, where we got on dry clothes, and then they conducted us over the hills to their village on the other side of the island, and gave us one of their best but, where we remained waiting for suitable weather to embark in open boats (there were none other) for Kagoshima, nearly 100 miles North. During our stay we had a three days gale, which we supposed was the equinoctial storm. This drove the ship higher up on the beach, but she still held together, so that we were enabled to get provisions and most of our personal effects out of her. We were on the island sixteen days, and then embarked in two fishing boats for Kagoshima. After being 5½ days on the passage, and just before reaching our destination, we fell in with the M.B.S.S. Co.'s s.s. *Kushu Maru*, Captain Thompson. We were all taken on board and very hospitably entertained by Captain Thompson and his officers. The Captain generously offered us all a free passage to Kobe, but subsequently the Governor of Kagoshima assumed the responsibility of sending us at the expense of the Imperial Japanese Government. We left Kagoshima on the morning of October 7th, in the s.s. *Kushu Maru*, but returned to a safe anchorage in Kagoshima Gulf, on account of a strong head wind and sea swell. On the evening of the same day the wreck of the *Lookout*, where we lay until the morning of the 10th, when we again left for Kobe, where we arrived at noon on the 12th instant. On arrival made application to the American Consul-General Stahel, who kindly attended to all our requirements.

The *News* also reports the loss of the British schooner *Barbara Taylor*, Captain Taylor, the following particulars of which were given by a passenger, who arrived on board the *Magaya Maru*:—The *Barbara Taylor* left Shanghai on the 9th September for Yokohama, and got into the same typhoon at that which so injured the *Lookout Maru*. Having all her sails blown away, Captain Taylor was forced to beach her on what turned out to be the Southern part of Quelpart. The natives immediately looked up every one on board in jail, when it was found that communication could be established by means of the written language of a Chinaman the Captain had with him, and the head man of those parts (probably the principal official of the island) having been informed of what had happened, sent for the Captain and Chinaman, who were taken about thirty miles on horseback with a guard. After crawling into the presence and having an interview with the great man, they were sent in a junk to Hirao, whence they made their way to Nagasaki. As two Japanese junks were reported wrecked at the same time and their crews treated the same way, a Japanese gunboat had left, and when the *Magaya Maru* was coming away H.B.M.'s *Esperia* was making ready to start. We understand that Captain Taylor does not complain of any ill treatment, and thinks it not at all improbable that they were all looked up for their own safety, as the people he saw were not an agreeable looking lot and every man was armed.

## LONDON GOSSIP.

(Pioneer.)

The other day Colonel O. Baker and Alix regularly knocked up with their yolk on Baker Pasha's staff, treated themselves to a day's holiday, and crossed over to Prinkipo, intending just to saunter and loiter away the hours in the lovely island. To their disgust, however, on arriving at the Hotel Jadino, they found a long table laid for sixty covers. It appeared that an excursion of Russian officers had been prepared for. So much for the quiet day which the Englishmen had promised themselves! They must, however, eat, and there was no other place to go to. And now the Russian party arrived hungry and jolly, and began taking their seats. As there was nothing, however, to show that it was a private party, or anything but a great table d'hôte, Alix and Baker sat down too. Remember that they were in regular Turkish uniform and wore the fez. At first indeed the Russians mistook them for thoroughbred Turks; but far from indulging in any insolence on that account they behaved with elaborate courtesy, making several pretty little speeches expressive of the pleasure they felt in meeting at last their gallant enemies, not in the field, but at the social board. The misapprehension, however, did not last long. It was evident, from looks which Colonel Baker and Alix interpreted, that the Russians had soon discovered how the land lay, and who, or at any rate of what nationality, their convives were. Not that they were the less polite. No possible exception could have been taken to their behaviour. But it happened at a certain point of the banquet that a Russian officer arrived who had been unable to come over earlier with the rest. Room was made for him at the table nearly opposite the pseudo-Turks, on whom he no sooner cast eyes than he broke out into a flowery speech, saying that Turkey and Russia were no longer enemies, but had one mutual interest—to join and turn upon their common foe, the hated English. The words were no sooner out of his mouth than down came half a dozen heels upon his unfortunate toe, and half a dozen elbows were poked into his ribs. He at once saw his mistake, and blushed out an awkward laugh, but was so abashed at his blunder that he actually rose and changed his seat. The pause which followed this would have been embarrassing if it had lasted more than a second. But Colonel Alix got up, and with great presence of mind and in a most happy manner, met the difficulty full face, and extracted out of it a positive triumph. He said that it was quite true that the politics of the two countries

were for the moment adverse, and perhaps the feeling between Russia and England was not much more cordial than used to be that between England and France. Yet France and England were now fast friends, and he hoped the time was not far distant when the same would be true of England and Russia. In the meantime they were soldiers alike, and were united by the common brotherhood and fellowship of the noble profession of arms. His ardent speech was received with acclamations, and the enthusiasm was increased a hundred fold when, on comparing notes, it was found, on the one hand, that these Russian officers had formed part of Gorko's army which had been kept at bay at Tashkessan, and on the other, that the two English officers present had been Baker Pasha's Lieutenants in that incomparable exploit. There is a vanishing of civility about these "Russians," after all, which it takes a little more than mere social friction to rub off. Their good breeding, however, is an artificial lesson which on occasion they can show themselves to have learnt, but which they naturally discard when there seems no necessity for constraint. Of all the Russian officers in Constantinople no one is so popular with the English as Skobeleff. With them he is always to be found in the manner of a generous and appreciative comrade. But with the Turks he is quite otherwise, and appears to have imposed it on himself as a special duty to insult and irritate Fuad Pasha, the Turkish Field Marshal in command. The other day he accepted an invitation to lunch with Fuad, who accordingly prepared a magnificent reception for him. A brilliant company was assembled to meet him; artillery were detailed to give him a salute; and the banquet, *à la Française*, was on a sumptuous scale. But no Skobeleff appeared; nor for a long time any apology. At last a lame excuse was sent that he was unable to come, being detained by a photographer who was "taking" him in a group with other Russian officers. Fuad Pasha's mortification may be imagined, for Fuad, a Circassian, has all the vanity as well as the valour of his race. When, a few days later, Skobeleff sent him a return invitation, it was not so much declined as refused, and very curtly indeed. Another matter. Between the Russian and Turkish positions, on the left bank of the Bosphorus, the court makes a dip, and down the middle the Russian runs a narrow streamlet crossed at intervals by little stone bridges. This stream had for months past been tacitly recognized as the boundary between the two positions. The Russian sentries were posted along at about a hundred yards distance on one side of the stream, and the Turkish sentries at the same distance from it on the other. Quite lately, however, as if to aggravate Fuad, Skobeleff had posted Russian sentries actually on every one of the little bridges which span the stream. The instant this was reported to Fuad Pasha he took a Turkish soldier alongside every Russian sentry, and there they ate, probably to this moment, the bronzed Turk and the Russian guardsman, on a space hardly large enough to hold both, fraternizing good humouredly under circumstances where an Englishman and a Russian would be very likely to come to blows. So great is Fuad Pasha's irritation against the Russians that Valentine Baker had all the difficulty in the world in dissuading him, on the occasion of the grand Russian review at San Stefano (August 15), from his first intention of marching the Turkish army in battle array as if to confront and defy the Russians. The only argument by which Baker could ultimately prevail was that Toulouba would in that case assuredly postpone the review, thus gaining credit with the foreign ambassadors (who were all invited) for his forbearance and conciliatory disposition, while Fuad himself would wear the appearance of a fire-brand.

On Sunday night I was at a small musical party in Great Ormond Street at the house of a rich solicitor, a great musical connoisseur and an useful friend to all foreign artists of merit. By the bye, I think I have mentioned this gentleman and his musical parties to you before. At any rate these are some of the best known and *recherché* things in their way in London. In the season you'll meet Campanini or Albini, and some one or other of the most brilliant operatic stars there, who sing as freely and generously as if their notes were not worth bank-notes, and a song from them valuable in a very different sense from the proverbial "old song." On Sunday night there was a Mademoiselle Stella Frutkin there, a plain dark girl, shy and awkward, but with sweet modest evening ways and the most exquisite drawing-room singer—bar none—I have ever heard in all my life. Quality of voice, execution, taste, all were consummate. It was a treat for the gods. This young lady brings a great reputation with her from abroad, and no wonder. The rapture she excited that night in Great Ormond Street—where there were many quite competent judges—partook of stupefaction. For my own part, learning that she was engaged to sing at the Promenade Concerts at Covent Garden, I fully determined to hear a lot of her, and went the very next night, Monday. I had a front seat in the dress circle, and could hardly therefore have been in a more advantageous position for hearing. Well, the result was that I have seldom been present at a more distressing exhibition. The winner of the Derby breaking his heart in the effort to drag alone one of Hardy and Perkins' waggons would hardly be a more painful spectacle than this poor girl with her divine but *bygone* voice struggling in vain against the immensity of the space she was expected to fill. Poor thing, she evidently felt her own inadequacy so painfully, and her failure contrasted so cruelly with the respectful attention she had excited the night before. Mr Sullivan (who conducted) and one of the orchestra near her were evidently trying to console and encourage her; but a pronounced concert audience is rather brutal, and made no secret of the fact that she was inaudible. It is clear that Stella Frutkina, accomplished vocalist as she is, must submit to the concert-room or the smaller theatres. As for Fatti and the other great singers, in whom one has hitherto taken an interest as a matter of course that their every note should be distinctly heard in the most distant corner of huge Covent Garden, I shall never forget (after Stella Frutkina's *passio*) what an immensity of lung-power must go to their easy-sounding performances.

The employment this year of the *Marquis Henry* rifle in shooting for the Queen's Prize at Wimbledon has revived the controversy with respect to the merits and defects of that arm. The rifle, it is alleged, jumps about in the most erratic manner, owing, it is stated, to the stock being too straight, and it is recommended that the pattern of stock for the Remington rifle were for the moment adverse, and perhaps the feeling between Russia and England was not much more cordial than used to be that between England and France. Yet France and England were now fast friends, and he hoped the time was not far distant when the same would be true of England and Russia. In the meantime they were soldiers alike, and were united by the common brotherhood and fellowship of the noble profession of arms. His ardent speech was received with acclamations, and the enthusiasm was increased a hundred fold when, on comparing notes, it was found, on the one hand, that these Russian officers had formed part of Gorko's army which had been kept at bay at Tashkessan, and on the other, that the two English officers present had been Baker Pasha's Lieutenants in that incomparable exploit. There is a vanishing of civility about these "Russians," after all, which it takes a little more than mere social friction to rub off. Their good breeding, however, is an artificial lesson which on occasion they can show themselves to have learnt, but which they naturally discard when there seems no necessity for constraint. Of all the Russian officers in Constantinople no one is so popular with the English as Skobeleff. With them he is always to be found in the manner of a generous and appreciative comrade. But with the Turks he is quite otherwise, and appears to have imposed it on himself as a special duty to insult and irritate Fuad Pasha, the Turkish Field Marshal in command. The other day he accepted an invitation to lunch with Fuad, who accordingly prepared a magnificent reception for him. A brilliant company was assembled to meet him; artillery were detailed to give him a salute; and the banquet, *à la Française*, was on a sumptuous scale. But no Skobeleff appeared; nor for a long time any apology. At last a lame excuse was sent that he was unable to come, being detained by a photographer who was "taking" him in a group with other Russian officers. Fuad Pasha's mortification may be imagined, for Fuad, a Circassian, has all the vanity as well as the valour of his race. When, a few days later, Skobeleff sent him a return invitation, it was not so much declined as refused, and very curtly indeed. Another matter. Between the Russian and Turkish positions, on the left bank of the Bosphorus, the court makes a dip, and down the middle the Russian runs a narrow streamlet crossed at intervals by little stone bridges. This stream had for months past been tacitly recognized as the boundary between the two positions. The Russian sentries were posted along at about a hundred yards distance on one side of the stream, and the Turkish sentries at the same distance from it on the other. Quite lately, however, as if to aggravate Fuad, Skobeleff had posted Russian sentries actually on every one of the little bridges which span the stream. The instant this was reported to Fuad Pasha he took a Turkish soldier alongside every Russian sentry, and there they ate, probably to this moment, the bronzed Turk and the Russian guardsman, on a space hardly large enough to hold both, fraternizing good humouredly under circumstances where an Englishman and a Russian would be very likely to come to blows. So great is Fuad Pasha's irritation against the Russians that Valentine Baker had all the difficulty in the world in dissuading him, on the occasion of the grand Russian review at San Stefano (August 15), from his first intention of marching the Turkish army in battle array as if to confront and defy the Russians. The only argument by which Baker could ultimately prevail was that Toulouba would in that case assuredly postpone the review, thus gaining credit with the foreign ambassadors (who were all invited) for his forbearance and conciliatory disposition, while Fuad himself would wear the appearance of a fire-brand.

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used by the Dutch volunteers should be substituted for the one now in use. The nights are also found fault with, and it is argued from reference to scores made with other rifles that if the weapon is to be employed for aimed long-range shooting, the present arrangement of sights must be altered. What is really a more serious defect has come to light with regard to the ammunition. The Boxer-Henry cartridge is not strong enough to stand the field, and it is asserted that cases have occurred in which, after knocking about for a few days in a soldier's pouch, it has got out of shape and unfit for use. The solid drawn case, on the other hand, which has lately been much talked about, is sufficiently strong to stand rough usage, while it possesses what under certain conceivable circumstances might prove to be the inestimable advantage, that after the cartridge has been once fired, the case can be reloaded with a tool which a soldier can carry in his pocket, any supply of powder and lead being utilized.

A very splendid sight in its way, is that of Hunt and Roskell's purchases from the sale of the Queen of Spain's (Isabella, not Christina) jewels. The most splendid and costly ornaments (for I did not think it exactly beautiful) in the famous Calatrava necklace, about which there was a great deal of talk, is a priceless, but for which I am told Hunt and Roskell gave the very enormous sum of £2,200, (fifty-five thousand five hundred francs). This necklace consists of twenty-four beads and three pendants. Twelve of the twenty-four beads are of gold studded with small diamonds. The other twelve are enormous emeralds almost, may quite, the size of Barcelona nuts. At first one has a difficulty in believing that they are really emeralds. You say—"Surely, they can only be coloured glass. No one would commit the sacrilege of drilling and stringing true emeralds of that size and beauty." And certainly it does seem almost criminal to have bored holes through gems of such nobility. But the wonder and indignation vanished before explanation. It appears that emeralds above a rather small size, say that of a pea, are almost invariably blighted with a flaw. Why this should be the case with emeralds alone among precious stones, I never know, or at any rate I do not; but I believe it is so. Messrs Hunt and Roskell have no doubt that these magnificent emeralds in the Calatrava necklace had their otherwise incomparable splendour impaired in this way by flaws, and they were cunningly pierced through the said flaws with a distinct contemplation of the result that people would say—"See what magnificent emeralds! What a size! What a colour! And yet not a flaw in them! But what a cruel shame to have degraded and devalued them by boring."

Captain Burnaby (who is not timid) is going to contest Birmingham in the Conservative interest at the next election. In his address to the electors he had charged Mr Gladstone with want of patriotism, subservience to Russia, indifference to human suffering, provided it were inflicted by Russians, and so forth; and these charges he supported by professed citations of Mr Gladstone's own expressions. Mr Gladstone thereupon requires chapter and verse, after his favourite fashion, counting with justifiable confidence on the ordinary looseness in which quotations are made, and the intolerance which generally disables men from laying their hands on their authorities. But Mr Gladstone, though a cruel and formidable adversary for Turkey, had this time caught a Tartar. Burnaby promptly obliges him with a long string of references to his own pamphlets or speeches, dates, names, and "colours of the riders," all complete, bearing out almost in their entirety all his accusations. Mr Gladstone at once perceives there is no advantage to be gained in contest with such an adversary, and so he tries the "other persuasion." His reply is complimentary and conciliating. He thanks (?) Captain Burnaby for his letter, in which he recognizes "the frank and manly spirit to be expected from a British officer." But Captain Burnaby is not going to be disarmed in this way. He rejoices with an irony that is simply exquisite:—"My dear Sir,—In your letter just received, and which, by the bye, is not dated" (here is the first rap at the business-like Gladstone) "you state that you have never described Russia as the 'tormentor of civilization,' but have simply said, 'Russia carried the torch of civilization.' You will forgive me if I call to mind the old saying, to the effect that language was given man to disguise his thoughts. I prefer to speak my mind frankly and clearly. Indeed, it appears to me that you are rather exemplifying the old adage in yourself, when you seek to distinguish between Russia as the torch-bearer and Russia carrying the torch. But whilst admiring the frank and manly" (Gladstone's own words—whether used in irony or simplicity the context shows clearly enough) "spirit of your letter, in which I recognize your well-known hatred of verbal quibbles I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully, Fred. Burnaby." And then Captain Burnaby dismisses him with a "Partisan d'art" in the shape of a stinging postscript:—"P.S.—You do not say if you have read the *Globe* of July 30. Russia, according to the official account contained in that journal, has very recently been carrying her torch of civilization amidst the Jews and Mahomedans in the neighbourhood of Gumnach."

"Nor do you reply to the challenge conveyed to you in my work *On Horseback through Asia Minor*, with reference to the English officers and soldiers who were butchered in cold blood by your friends the Russians."

Gladstone must wish by this time he had laid Burnaby alone. Of course the italics in the above extracts are of mine.

Sir Charles Dilke pretends that Sir Wilfrid Lawson always speaks of the two British Plenipotentiaries at Berlin as Lords "B. and S."

## THE ART OF KISSING.

We find the following worldly article in the Portland *Sunday Times*, a paper which is deemed the best authority in the date of Maine on the subject discussed:—

"Never kiss a young girl if she don't want you to. The main ingredient that makes kissing endurable is a willingness on the part of the female. If it depends on anxiety so much the better. When a girl draws a man's hair and scratches his face drop her at once. She is destitute of good taste and natural affection, and the sooner you make love to her sister the better. As long as a girl don't draw and yell, and struggle like a panther, it is perfectly safe to continue prospecting. Get a little behind her, pass the right arm around her waist in front of her head,

and if you don't know what to do next, go associate with the boys in the first ward. If you are beginning to teach a shy young girl who has, therefore, only been kissed by her brothers and father, touch your lips gently to her forehead. She will take this for an exhibition of profound respect. When that position has been gained, working the way down to her lip is as natural and easy as the course of a dog hiding down a wood at home. Never sit down to kiss. It looks awkward in case anybody is looking, and seems awkward, anyhow. Stand up, and the closer you press the girl, the higher estimate she will place on your good taste, common sense, and experience.

The *San Francisco News Letter* has the following:—"While Jefferson was playing Rip Van Winkle at Chicago last spring, he went to the theatre very much exhausted by a long day's fishing on the lake. When the curtain rose on the third act, it disclosed the white-haired 'Rip' still immersed in his 20 years' nap. Five, ten, twenty minutes passed, and still he did not wake. The audience began to get impatient and the prompter uneasy. The great actor doubtless knew what his was about; but this was carrying the 'realistic' sort of thing entirely too far. The fact was that all the time Jefferson was really sleeping the sleep of the just, or rather of the fisherman who has sat eight hours in the sun without getting a single bite. Finally the gallery got to be uproarious, and one of the 'gods' wanted to know if there was going to be 19 years more of this snooze business. Here Jefferson began to snore. This decided the prompter, who opened a small trap beneath the stage, and began to prod 'Rip' from behind. The much-travelled comedian began to fumble in his pocket for an imaginary ticket, and muttered drowsily:—"Going clear through, 'duster.' The audience were transfixed with amazement at this entirely new reading, when suddenly Jefferson sat up with a loud shriek, the exasperated prompter had 'joked' him with a pin. The



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CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).  
NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association. Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned having been appointed AGENTS in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to Grant Policies against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an immediate Discount of 20 per cent.  
Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in China.

MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.  
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHANGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGETRE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

### Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
Section 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.  
Section 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
Section 4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.  
Section 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.  
Section 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
Section 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
Section 8. From Pier to East Point.

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